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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

In the Claims:

Please carcel claims, 5, 7, 17, and 35-40 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, Jine 1, replace "MVA" with --modified virus ankara (MVA)--

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6. A modified antigen according to claim 5, which is a peptide epitope of 5T4 antigen and which induces a [CTL] cytotoxic T-lymphocyte (CTL) response.

Claim 8, line 1: after "comprising" insert --a--

A2 cont 11. A vaccine composition according to claim 9 [or claim 10], wherein the 5T4 antigen is a modified 5T4 antigen, and wherein said antigen is a peptide epitope of 5T4 antigen, and wherein said antigen induces a CTL response [according to any one of claims 5 to 8].

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